

### **Remark**

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application as amended. Claims 39, 46, 57 and 60 have been amended. Claims 1-29 and 53 have been canceled. Therefore, claims 30-52 and 54-73 are now presented for examination.

### **35 U.S.C. §102 Rejection,**

#### ***Brendel***

The Examiner has rejected claims 30-52 and 54-73 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,772,333 ("Brendel"). Applicants thank the Examiner for the clarifying remarks brought out in the Advisory Action. The key comments from the Examiner would appear to be: 1) "The examiner does not see how the 'lookup table' of Brendel is any different from the mapping table of applicants' invention." and 2) "The claim language does not state any limitations in regards to how and where the session ID is generated nor any relationship between the generation of the session ID and assignment of a secure tunnel." Applicants have attempted to address these comments by the Examiner in the amendments above.

Referring to Claim 39, the lookup table of Brendel is different from the mapping table in that the mapping table is located at and maintained by the dispatcher, not the server. Claim 39 has been amended to so state. Claim 39 has also been amended to state where the secure tunnel is created and that the secure tunnel creation is done in conjunction with assigning the server. Claims 46, 57, 60, 64, and 70 have been amended in a manner similar to Claim 39.

### **Conclusion**

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections have been overcome by the amendment and remark, and that the claims as amended are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the rejections be withdrawn and the claims as amended be allowed.

### **Invitation for a Telephone Interview**

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (303) 740-1980 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

### **Request for an Extension of Time**

Applicants respectfully petition for an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) should one be necessary. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 to cover the necessary fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for such an extension.


### **Charge our Deposit Account**

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Respectfully submitted,

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